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For: ADJUSTABLE ANGLE COUPLER FOR LEACHING CHAMBER  
SYSTEMS

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REPLY TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated May 6, 2005, Applicants elect Species I, drawn to a swivel connector, for prosecution to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Claims readable on the elected Species I are Claims 1-3, 5-11, 23-25, 27-33, 45, 47, 49-57, and 68-76.

The Examiner has also requested that the Applicants elect a subspecies in addition to the election of a species. Applicants hereby elect Subspecies A, directed to the swivel connector being a post member. Claims of Species I that are readable on Subspecies A are Claims 5, 27, 51 and 70. The Applicants also point out to the Examiner that Claims 12-22, 34-44, 46, 48, 58-67 and 77-86 also specify a post member and may be considered to be readable on Subspecies A.

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Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected species. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected species.

An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Respectfully submitted,

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